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To the Honorable Common Council  
of the City of Milwaukee  
Room 205 – City Hall

Re: Communication from Attorney Drew J. De Vinney on behalf of L. N. T.  
C.I. File No. 1032-2021-1344

Dear Council Members:

Enclosed please find a proposed resolution. We ask that it be introduced and referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Legislation, with the below recommendation.

The plaintiff, L.N.T alleges that on her 15th birthday, she and a friend were stopped by a now former Milwaukee Police Officer who was in uniform and driving a marked Milwaukee Police Department vehicle. He demanded her telephone number which he then used to text her, and at some point asked her to send pictures of herself to him. She further alleges that a few months later, in January of 2016, he showed up at her home, in uniform and in a marked squad car. He directed her to the back of the house where he instructed her to expose herself to him, at which point he had sexual contact with her.

Subsequent to this incident, the now former officer allegedly engaged in similar conduct with another minor child. The officer was subsequently terminated from MPD and convicted of criminal charges related to both incidents. The matter involving the other minor child was resolved via settlement after pre-trial litigation ensued and the City was unsuccessful in its attempts to have the matter dismissed.

The case involving this plaintiff, L.N.T., was only recently filed, so there has been no formal litigation. Based on the investigation and litigation in the prior case and the evidence available in this case, it is expedient to resolve this matter without incurring the added costs of litigation, and taking the risk for exposure to compensatory and punitive damages, as well as additional costs and attorney's fees.



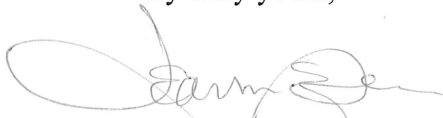
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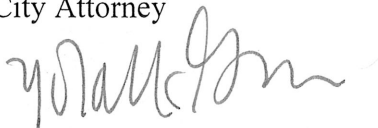
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We have negotiated a settlement agreement with Plaintiff's counsel, as to all defendants, in the amount of \$150,000, inclusive of all costs and attorney's fees. Given the unpredictability of trial and the totality of the facts and circumstances in this case, we recommend that this matter be settled for that amount. Consistent with our recommendation, we request authorization to execute a settlement agreement on behalf of the City and its officer, and have enclosed an appropriate resolution for your consideration.

Very truly yours,



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Enclosures

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